5. The inspection reports of the Revenue Sub-Division Officers are stated to have been received only in respect of 12 institutions. Sub-Division Officers should visit each and every monument in their charge as required by standing orders and furnish their inspection reports to the Archæological Department as promptly as possible. The Deputy Commissioners of Districts are requested to issue necessary instructions in the matter.

6. In view of the great architectural value of the temples at Belur, Halebid and Somanathpur, a Committee was appointed by Government to inspect them and submit a report as regards the repairs or restoration work to be done to these temples. The detailed proposals of the Committee were considered by Government and orders have been issued recently, sanctioning certain works and the appointment of watchmen for the temples at Belur and Halebid to keep them clean and in good order. Orders have also been issued directing the inclusion of the Panchalinga temple at Somanathpur in the list of Ancient Monuments under class III. Legislation to protect ancient monuments has been already introduced in the Legislative Council.

7. The study of certain manuscripts is reported to have revealed the existence of (1) the dynasty of the Kings of Karnapurarashtra (2) the dynasty of kings having the title of Kothandaparasurama Manonnata (3) the dynasty of Pragvatas and (4) the Jain University of Tapagachchha at Latapalli in Gujarat where degrees were conferred on both men and women scholars.

8. One-hundred and twenty-four new Epigraphical records were collected and published during the year, of which 103 are stone inscriptions and 21 are copper plate grants. Of the latter, 4 are grants of early Western Ganga Kings. About 50 coins are also reported to have been examined during the year.

9. An Archæological Museum was opened during the year as an adjunct to the Archæological office with a view to make the study of Indian History realistic and interesting and also to link up the Archæological Department with the Department of History in the University. Among the exhibits placed in the Museum are coins, copper plate grants, ancient utensils, views of ancient monuments and estampages of inscriptions.

10. The revised edition of Karnataka Sabdanusasana was completed and published during the year. The monograph on the Halebid temple is said to be still under preparation.

11. Government are glad to note that the Department has continued to do useful work during the year.

K. MATTHAN,
Chief Secretary to Government.

Conversion of Aided Primary Schools in Shimoga District.

READ—

Correspondence ending with letter No. H. C. 318 of 4th December 1924, from the Inspector-General of Education, requesting sanction to the conversion of 45 Aided Schools in the Shimoga District, into Government Institutions, with effect from 1st June 1925.

ORDER NO. E. 3882-4—EDN. 32-24-13, DATED 9TH JANUARY 1925.

A sum of Rs. 15,000 is provided in the current year's budget under "6—Primary Education" for making grants of Rs. 7,500 each, to the Districts of Shimoga and Tumkur, for acceleration of conversion of Aided Institutions in these Districts.

2. The Inspector-General recommends that 45 Aided Schools in the Shimoga District may be converted into Government Institutions at a cost of Rs. 7,500 recurring and Rs. 7,500 non-recurring. He states that in making the selection, the cases of the best of the Aided Schools have been taken into consideration.

3. Government are pleased to sanction the recommendation of the Inspector-General of Education as detailed below:—

Item.			*Number of schools to be converted.*
1. Kannada Boys' Schools	...	...	37
2. Urdu Boys' Schools	...	...	3
3. Kannada Girls Schools	...	...	5
Total		...	45

As the sanctions will be given effect to only from 1st June 1925, the Inspector-General proposes that the non-recurring expenditure may be met, from the provision in the current year's budget, under "6—Primary Education (ii) grants to Non-Government Schools, acceleration of conversion of Primary Schools in Cess Districts". The proposal is approved.

K. MATTHAN,
Chief Secretary to Government.